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Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC)

Free Service for Nonprofits. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

Special Announcements

Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI) Applications Now Available. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* announces that applications are now available for the 2005-2006 SPI Class. SPI is a training opportunity for emerging nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The one-year program is designed to help nonprofit professionals move their organizations to the next level of operations and service-delivery. Executive directors (or equivalent positions) from organizations located and providing direct services in DC may apply if the following conditions are met: incorporated in DC; 501(c)(3) status from the IRS; annual budget under \$500,000; desires professional and organizational growth; and has strong commitment to complete the 12 month program and

attendance requirements. The deadline for applications is June 30, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. Applications are available at www.opgd.dc.gov. They also may be e-mailed, faxed, or picked-up from OPGD, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South, Washington, DC. For additional information or to obtain the application, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

Federal Opportunities

Alzheimer's Disease Core Centers. *Department of Health and Human Services/National Institute on Aging* invites applications from qualified institutions for support of Alzheimer's Disease Core Centers (ADCCs). These Centers are designed to serve as shared research resources that will facilitate research on Alzheimer's disease (AD) and related disorders, distinguish them from the process of normal brain aging and mild cognitive impairment (MCI), and lead to better diagnostic and treatment strategies. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities, private institutions of higher education, for-profit organizations other than small businesses and small businesses. Foreign institutions may participate as subcontractors within a Center. The deadline for applications is September 20, 2005. Approximately \$10.5 million is available to fund 8 awards, up to \$750,000. For further information, contact NIH OER Webmaster at FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV; or go to: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-05-010.html>.

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Community Economic Development; Discretionary Grant Program--Operational Projects. *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to assist and encourage rural and urban community development corporations to create projects intended to provide employment and business development opportunities for low-income people through business or commercial development. The opportunities must aim to improve the quality of the economic and social environment of TANF recipients; low-income residents including displaced workers; individuals transitioning from the prison system into the community; at-risk youth; non-custodial parents, particularly those of children receiving TANF assistance; individuals residing in public housing; individuals who are homeless; and individuals with disabilities. Eligible applicants include nonprofit community development corporations. The deadline for applications is June 17, 2005. Approximately \$16 million is available to fund 50-55 awards, ranging from \$75,000-\$700,000. For further information, contact Debra Brown at (202) 401-4646 or OCSGRANTS@acf.hhs.gov; or go to: www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs.

Community Food and Nutrition Program. *Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Community Services* announces funds to: (1) coordinate private and public food assistance resources, wherever the grant recipient involved determines such coordination to be inadequate, to better serve low-income populations; (2) assist low-income communities to identify potential sponsors of child nutrition programs and to initiate such programs in underserved or unserved areas; and (3) develop innovative approaches at the State and local level to meet the nutrition needs of low-income individuals. This program is viewed as a capacity building program, rather than a food delivery program. Eligible applicants include faith- and community-based organizations and nonprofit agencies, including organizations benefiting Indians and migrant and seasonal farmworkers, with a demonstrated ability to successfully develop and implement programs and activities similar to those enumerated in the announcement. OCS encourages eligible applicants with programs addressing obesity to submit applications. The deadline for applications is June 17, 2005. Approximately \$2.3 million is available to fund 50 awards, up to \$50,000. For further information, go

to: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-OCS-EN-0024.html>.

Community Services Block Grant Program; Community Economic Development; Discretionary Grant Program--Operational Projects. *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to provide technical and financial assistance for economic development activities designed to address the economic needs of low-income individuals and families by creating employment and business development opportunities. The primary purpose of the Operational Projects (OPs) is to assist eligible CDCs and faith-based organizations that are CDCs that have in place: (1) written commitments for all projected non-Community Economic Development (CED) funding; (2) project operations; (3) site control for their economic development projects; and (4) referral sources (from which low-income individuals will be referred to the project). Eligible applicants include nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The deadline for applications is June 17, 2005. Approximately \$16 million is available to fund 55 awards, up to \$700,000. For further information, go to: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-OCS-EE-0019.html>.

Complementary and Alternative Medicine for Substance and Alcohol Related Disorders.

Department of Health and Human Services announces funds for clinical research to identify, evaluate, and develop safe and effective Complementary and Alternative Medicine therapies for the treatment of substance use disorders (SUD) and alcohol use disorders (AUD), including abuse or dependence on licit (alcohol and tobacco) and illicit drugs, and for the treatment of neurological, psychiatric and medical consequences of drug and alcohol addiction. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, for-profit organizations other than small businesses and small businesses. There are multiple deadlines for applications - see link to full announcement for details. For further information, contact NIH OER Webmaster at FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV; or go to:

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<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-05-097.html>.

FY 2005 OJJDP Evaluation of Safe Start: Promising Approaches for Children Exposed to Violence. *Department of Justice/Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention* requests proposals for the design of the national evaluation of the Safe Start: Promising Approaches for Children Exposed to Violence program. The program to be evaluated helps communities implement collaborative, cross-agency strategies to deliver services to reduce the impact of children's exposure to violence. The purpose of the evaluation is to assess which program strategies yield the best outcomes for children. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education and for-profit organizations other than small businesses. The deadline for applications is June 7, 2005. For further information, contact GMS Helpdesk at (888) 549-9901 or helpdesk@ojp.usdoj.gov; or go to: <http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org/FundingList.asp>.

Head Start Hispanic Service; Institution Partnerships. *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds and the request for applications for professional development and training grants for institutions of higher education with experience and capability in educating and preparing professionals to work effectively with Hispanic young children and families, in partnership with Head Start, Migrant Head Start and Early Head Start programs. The Head Start - Higher Education Hispanic Service Institution Partnership (HS-HEHSIPs) program is funded to improve the quality and long-term effectiveness of program services to Hispanic children and their families by developing academic and other training models and forming partnerships between institutions of higher education and Head Start, Migrant Head Start, and Early Head Start programs. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is June 20, 2005. Approximately \$1.5 million is available to fund 10 awards, up to \$150,000. For further information, go to:

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-ACYF-YP-0011.html>.

Head Start Historically Black College and University Partnerships. *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds and the request for applications for professional development and training grants for Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in partnership with Head Start and Early Head Start programs to improve staff training and to thereby enhance services to Head Start and Early Head Start children and families. These partnerships are designed to improve the quality and long-term effectiveness of Head Start and Early Head Start grantees by developing academic training models to increase the number of Head Start/Early Head Start teachers with BA degrees in early childhood education. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is June 20, 2005. Approximately \$1.5 million is available to fund 10 awards, up to \$150,000. For further information, go to: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-ACYF-YH-0004.html>.

Mentored Career Award For Faculty At Minority Institutions (KO1). *Department of Health and Human Services* announces a three-to-five-year non-renewable career development award made to faculty at a minority institution. Candidates will: be faculty members at a minority institution; have research experience (length of time may vary); and be committed to developing into independent biomedical investigators in research areas relevant to the mission of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (i.e., cardiovascular, pulmonary, hematologic, or sleep disorders research). The award will enable suitable faculty members holding doctoral degrees, such as the Ph.D., M.D., D.O., D.V.M., or an equivalent degree, to undertake special study and supervised research under a mentor who is an accomplished investigator in the research area proposed and has experience in developing independent investigators. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and private institutions of higher education. There are multiple deadline dates. Please see link to full announcement for details. Approximately \$300,000 is available to fund 2 awards. For further information, contact NIH OER Webmaster at

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FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV; or go to:
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-05-016.html>.

Short-Term Training Program to Increase Diversity in Health-Related Research (R25).

Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to promote diversity in undergraduate and health professional student populations by providing short-term research support to stimulate career development in cardiovascular, pulmonary, hematologic, and sleep disorders research. The overall goal of the program is to provide research opportunities for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds, racial and ethnic minorities, and others who are underrepresented in biomedical and behavioral research (e.g., individuals with disabilities), that will significantly contribute to a diverse research workforce in the future. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, for-profit organizations other than small businesses and community-based organizations. There are multiple deadline dates. Please see link to full announcement for details. Approximately \$750,000 is available to fund 8 awards. For further information, contact NIH OER Webmaster at

FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV; or go to:
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-05-018.html>.

Technology and Media Services for Individuals with Disabilities--Technology and Standards-Based Reform. *Department of Education* announces funds to: (1) improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration, and use of technology; (2) support educational media services activities designed to be of educational value in the classroom setting to children with disabilities; and (3) provide support for captioning and video description of programs appropriate for use in the classroom setting. This priority supports projects to develop, implement, and evaluate models for using technology to enhance the benefits of standards-based reform for children with disabilities. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments,

independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education and for-profit organizations other than small businesses. The deadline for applications is June 6, 2005.

Approximately \$1,200,000 is available to fund 4 awards, ranging from \$200,000-\$300,000. For further information, contact Tonja Lark at (202) 645-6160 or tonja.lark@ed.gov; or go to:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-8099.pdf>.

This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Preparing Youth Offenders to Enter High Growth and High Demand Industries.

Department of Labor announces funds to address the specific workforce challenges of youth offenders and to utilize strategies that prepare them for new and increasing job opportunities in high-growth/high-demand and economically vital industries and sectors of the American economy. Eligible applicants include public, private for-profit, and private nonprofit organizations, including faith-based and community organizations. The applicant will be the lead agency representing a partnership of the public workforce system, business and industry representatives from high-growth/high-demand industries, the education and training community, and the juvenile justice system. Applicants must demonstrate the existence of a partnership that includes at least one entity from each of four categories: (1) the publicly-funded workforce investment system, which may include the State Workforce Board, State Workforce Agency, local Workforce Investment Board, or a consortium of neighboring local Workforce Investment Boards; (2) the education and training community, which may include the state agencies overseeing secondary and post-secondary schools, local school districts, local community and technical colleges, four year colleges and universities, or other training entities; (3) employers and industry representatives in high-growth/high-demand industries; and (4) the juvenile justice system, which may include the State juvenile justice agency or the local family or juvenile court system. The deadline for applications is May 23, 2005. Approximately \$15 million is available to fund 15 awards, ranging from \$800,000-\$1.2 million. For further information, contact Jai B. Johnson at (202)

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693-3296 or Johnson.B.Jai@dol.gov; or go to:
<http://www.doleta.gov/sga/sga.cfm>.

District Opportunities

Arts Learning & Outreach: Arts Education Projects. *DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities* announces funds to programs that provide students training and exposure in a number of artistic disciplines. The projects should reinforce the importance of the arts as part of quality education, be consistent with current DC Public Schools Content Standards, and address the needs of the targeted community. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to, artist residencies, workshops, professional development for teachers, curriculum integration projects, performances, and new venues for artistic expression. Projects are funded in two categories: curriculum-based and community-based. The deadline for applications is June 8, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. The Commission will host workshops to assist all individuals and organizations in preparing their applications. No prior reservations are required to attend workshops. The workshops will be held at the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, 410 8th Street, N.W., Fifth Floor, on May 11, 2005, 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m., and May 24, 2005, 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Awards ranging from \$1,000-\$30,000 are available. A match is required. For further information, contact Jose Dominguez at (202) 724-5613 or jose.dominguez@dc.gov; or go to: <http://dcarts.dc.gov/dcarts/cwp/view,a,3,q,528104.asp>

City Arts Projects. *DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities* announces funds to quality and diversity of arts activities throughout the city, support local artists, and make arts experiences accessible to District residents. Its City Arts Projects expose the arts to the broader community or to persons traditionally underserved or separate from the mainstream due to geographic location, economic constraints, or disability. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to, festivals, concerts, visual arts exhibitions, and literary readings. The deadline for applications is June 22, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. The Commission will host workshops to assist all individuals and organizations in preparing their applications. No prior reservations are required to attend workshops. Workshops will be held at the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, 410 8th

Street, N.W., Fifth Floor, on May 24, 2005, noon-1:30 p.m., and June 9, 2005, noon-1:30 p.m. Awards ranging from \$1,000-\$5,000 are available. For further information, contact Jose Dominguez at (202) 724-5613 or jose.dominguez@dc.gov; or go to: <http://dcarts.dc.gov/dcarts/cwp/view,a,3,q,528139.asp>

East of the River Arts Initiative. *DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities'* East of the River Arts Initiative (EOR) focuses on arts activities east of the Anacostia River. The program strengthens organizational structures, develops audiences, and increases arts presentations east of the river. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations with an operating facility east of the Anacostia River (Wards 7 and 8) in DC. The deadline for applications is June 2, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. All applicants must attend one of the two EOR workshops. A document verifying workshop attendance will be distributed. One copy of the workshop attendance verification document must be included with the application. Workshops will be held at the Penn Branch Municipal Center, 3232 Pennsylvania Avenue, S.E., on May 31, 2005, 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m., and at the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, 410 8th Street, N.W., on June 7, 2005, noon-1:30 p.m. Awards ranging from \$5,000-\$20,000 are available. For further information, contact Jose Dominguez at (202) 724-5613 or jose.dominguez@dc.gov; or go to: <http://dcarts.dc.gov/dcarts/cwp/view,a,3,q,528153.asp>

Grants-in-Aid to Organizations. *DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities* offers general operating support to arts organizations in the following areas: crafts, dance, interdisciplinary/performance art, literature, media, multidisciplinary, music, theater, and visual arts. The Grant-in-Aid Program offers financial assistance to help meet costs related to regular programming activities and administration. Eligible applicants include nonprofit and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is June 22, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. The Commission will host workshops to assist all individuals and organizations in preparing their applications. No prior reservations are required to attend workshops. Workshops will be held at the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, 410 8th Street, N.W., Fifth Floor, on May 24, 2005, noon-1:30 p.m., and June 7, 2005, 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Awards ranging from \$3,000-\$30,000 are available. A match is required.

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Mini-Subgrants to Small Non-Profit Community-Based Organizations. *Department of Human Services/Income Maintenance Administration* is the lead agency in the District of Columbia for implementation of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. To facilitate achievement of TANF purposes, the DHS/IMA intends to award grant funds to small community and faith-based organizations that directly assist TANF customers and other low-income families and children in DC. The service and activity to be funded through the mini-grant should have an immediate and direct impact on TANF customers or other low-income families with children with household incomes of less than or equal to 200 percent of the federal poverty line. Eligible applicants include small community-based, faith-based, nonprofit organizations located in DC with an annual budget not more than \$150,000. Faith-based organizations, such as churches, synagogues, mosques, or religiously based social service affiliates of such organizations are encouraged to apply. The deadline for applications is June 7, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. Awards up to \$20,000 are available. A Pre-Application conference will be held on May 2, 2005, 10:00 a.m.-noon, at DHS/IMA, 645 H Street, NE, 5th Floor Conference Room, Washington, DC 20002. Applicants interested in attending the conference should contact Ms. Marchelle White at (202) 698-3942 on or before April 29, 2005. For further information, contact Priscilla Burnett at (202) 671-4407 or priscilla.burnett@dc.gov; or go to: [http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,\[33041\].asp](http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,[33041].asp).

Pre-Kindergarten Incentive Program. *Department of Human Services* will offer the opportunity for the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) and DHS to forge a partnership with the goal to ensure that 375 4-year old DC children, currently deprived of child development and early education services, receive in community-based settings, the same benefit of quality early education as their peers enjoy in public school pre-K classrooms. Grants will be provided to staff, train, and equip 24 classrooms in community-based settings in wards throughout the city for up to sixteen (16) District children in each

classroom. Eligible applicants include private and nonprofit pre-school and Head Start programs. Priority will be given to programs that are currently accredited or have submitted application for accreditation. Centers that are moving toward accreditation may also apply and may be eligible for technical assistance. The deadline for applications is May 30, 2005, at 3:30 p.m. Approximately \$3.35 million is available to fund 24 awards. Applicants are encouraged to attend a pre-application conference on May 4, 2005, 10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m., at the Office of Early Childhood Development, 717 14th Street, NW, Eighth Floor Conference Room. Applicants interested in attending the conference should contact Jason Hopkins at (202) 727-1839. For further information, contact Jason Hopkins or go to: [http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,\[33041\].asp](http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,[33041].asp).

VAF Shelter Initiative. *Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice* announces the availability of grant funds under the Victim Assistance Fund to develop and implement a plan for the purchase and/or construction of a shelter/s that will provide 150-175 additional beds for victims of domestic violence. Eligible applicants are nonprofit, community-based organizations that provide direct services to crime victims located in DC. The deadline for applications is June 3, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. The Request for Applications (RFA) will be available on May 9, 2005, at the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Office of Victim Services, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 327, Washington, DC 20004. For further information, contact Bryan Criswell at (202) 727-0597 or bryan.criswell@dc.gov.

VAF Victim Service Center. *Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice* announces the availability of grant funds under the Victim Assistance Fund to develop and implement a plan for the purchase and/or construction of a property to serve as a victim services center, which must include co-located space for service providers addressing the issues of sexual assault, domestic violence, and homicide. The property must also provide space and support for the establishment of a community-based Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner program. Eligible applicants are nonprofit, community-based organizations that provide direct services to crime victims located in DC. The deadline for applications

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is June 3, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. The Request for Applications (RFA) will be available on May 9, 2005, at the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Office of Victim Services, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 327, Washington, DC 20004. For further information, contact Bryan Criswell at (202) 727-0957 or bryan.criswell@dc.gov.

NEW INFORMATION. Community-Based Partnership Initiative. *Department of Human Services* has additional information for this grant application. Attachments D and I, Responses to Questions, and the DHS Faith-Based Program Services Information chart are now available at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse. Attachments may be obtained in Word format by contacting Priscilla Burnett at priscilla.burnett@dc.gov or Betty Ervin at (202) 671-4397.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

Serve DC, Engaging Youth in "Exploring the Past, Present and Future of Their Neighborhoods", May 4, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Serve DC, Safe Schools, Safe Students Initiative, May 4, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Department of Human Services, Community-Based Partnership Initiative, May 6, 2005, at 3:30 p.m.

University of the District of Columbia/State Education Agency, Adult and Family Literacy Lifelong Learning Coaches Grant, May 12, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

DC Public Schools, FY 2005 DC Reading First Initiative Grant Program, May 12, 2005, at 4:00 p.m.

DC Public Schools, Supplemental Educational Services Program, May 19, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Commission on the Arts and Humanities, DC Arts Presenters Initiative, May 20, 2005, at 5:30 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Byrne Formula Block Grant Program, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Crime Victims Assistance Grant (VOCA), May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, The Services*Training*Officers*Prosecution (STOP) Violence Against Women Formula Grant, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Title II Juvenile Justice Grants, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Victim Assistance Fund Increase Services-FY06, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, Victim Assistance Fund Outreach-Education, May 27, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

Department of Housing and Community Development, Housing, June 3, 2005, at 4:00 p.m.

Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates, June 24, September 23, and December 22, 2005.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

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Arts. *Charles A. Dana Foundation* announces funds to improve teaching of the performing arts at public schools in metropolitan Los Angeles, New York, and Washington, DC. Grants will be awarded to train in-school arts specialists who teach performing arts, as well as professional artists carrying out residencies at public schools. Eligible applicants include nonprofit

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groups that organize art education programs for K-12 students attending public schools. The deadline for submission of Letters of Intent for the 2006 round of grants is August 31, 2005. Awards of up to \$75,000 are available. For further information, go to:

<http://www.dana.org/grants/artseducation/>.

Arts and the Environment. *Tiffany & Co.*

Foundation provides funding for arts education and preservation and environmental conservation.

Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is May 15, 2005. For further information, go to:

<http://www.tiffanyandcofoundation.org/>.

Substance Abuse Policy Research Program—

Round X. *The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation* announces funds to support projects that will increase understanding of public and private policy interventions to prevent, treat and reduce the harm caused by the use of tobacco, alcohol and other drugs—including the advantages, disadvantages and potential impact of these policies. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and public agencies. The deadline for applications is August 23, 2005. Approximately \$3.5 million is available to fund awards, ranging from \$100,000-\$400,000. For further information, contact Tracy Enright Patterson at (336) 286-4418; or go to:

<http://www.rwjf.org/applications/program/cfp.jsp?CFPCODE=SPR>.

Music. *Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation* provides musical instruments and instrument repair to K-12 music programs, community art schools, after-school programs, and youth orchestras, as well as outstanding individual musicians in need of instruments. Cash grants are not awarded. Eligible applicants include individuals, organizations, and schools in the U.S. that have demonstrated sufficient need, as well as a long-term and serious interest in music. For further information, contact Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation at (818) 784-6787; or go to:

<http://www.mhopus.org/apply.htm>.

Resources & Announcements

Fundraising. *iMIS* offers a free report - *The Edge: Five Smart Ideas to Grow Your Fundraising Organization*. The report covers five smart ideas that,

coupled with careful planning and implemented through capable technology, will give your organization the ability to meet the formidable challenges that face today's nonprofit. For further information, go to:

<http://www.imis.com/land/Campaign/edge/edge.cfm?source=PJenews&CFID=1934055&CFTOKEN=23578328>.

Grantseeking Basics. *The Foundation Center* offers a basic orientation to the funding research process with its Grantseeking Basics training. This session, designed for beginners, provides instruction in foundation research and identification of potential funders and is followed by a tour of the library. The orientation will take place June 7, 2005, 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m., at the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, Third Floor, Washington, DC. For further information or to register, call (202) 331-1400; or go to: <http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/gbdc.html>.

Grant Writing. *Education World* offers "Tips and Resources for Successful Grant Writing." This article includes practical tips, as well as resources, to help first time grant writers. For further information, go to: http://www.educationworld.com/a_curr/profdev/profdev039.shtml.

New Nonprofit Leadership Award. *The Center for Nonprofit Advancement (formerly Washington Council of Agencies)* has established a new award - The Center for Nonprofit Advancement's EXCEL Award. The award will spotlight outstanding nonprofit leaders who show excellence in the areas of innovation, motivation, community building, ethical integrity, and strategic leadership. Eligible applicants include executive directors, CEOs, presidents or other chief salaried employees of a Washington-area nonprofit organization with an annual budget of \$3 million or less. Candidates must also have served as an organization's chief executive for three years or more. Nominators can be board members, staff members, volunteers, clients, or community members. The deadline for applications is May 27, 2005. The awardee will receive a \$5,000 professional development account. In addition, each recipient's organization will receive a \$2,000 cash grant. For further information and to access the application, contact Susan Sanow at (202) 457-0540 or susans@nonprofitadvancement.org; or go to:

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http://www.nonprofitadvancement.org/newsletter1852/newsletter_show.htm?doc_id=272935.

Nonprofit Fundraising. *Raising More Money* trains and coaches nonprofit organizations to implement a mission-based system for raising sustainable funding from individual donors. An introductory session is being offered in DC and will cover: an overview of the Raising More Money Model®; how to leave a legacy of mission-centered individual giving; how to identify and introduce ideal donors to your organization; how to personally cultivate people to become lifelong donors; and more. This session will take place on May 23, 2005, 10:00 a.m.-noon, at Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G Street, NW, Washington DC 20001. To register, go to:

<http://form.raisingmoremoney.com/calendar/midatlantic.asp>, scroll down to this session, and click Register. For additional information, contact Katie Kendall at (206) 709-9400 x 131 or katie.kendall@raisingmoremoney.com; or go to: <http://www.raisingmoremoney.com/introductions/default>.

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